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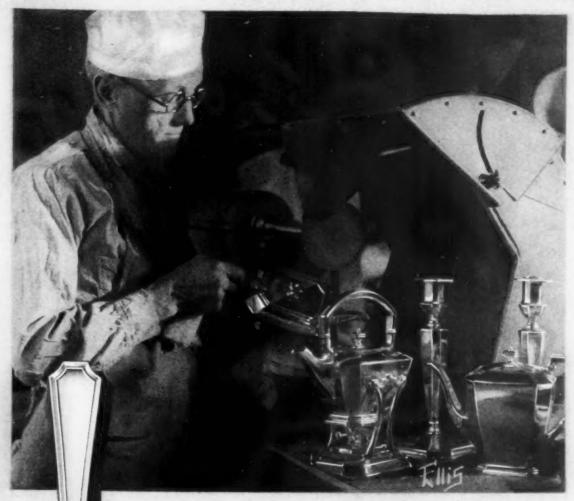
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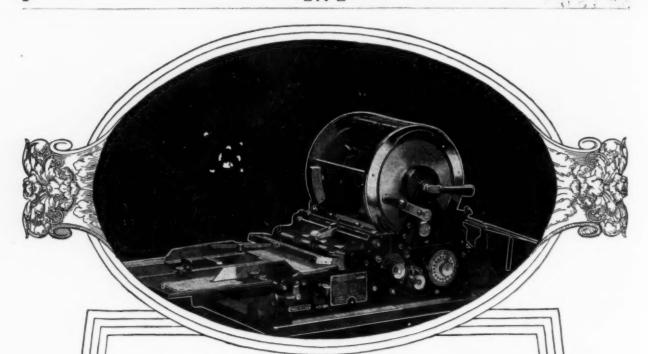
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Life

Do You Remember —

THE BLACK PIRATE

HEN all picture theatres were film green, thus enabling the actors

the virtues of the current attractions, inveigle passers-by to the ticket window and assure them that a new show was just beginning?

When every program consisted of "a drama, a comedy and a Western"?

When the model theatre orchestra was composed of piano and drums,

playing waltzes for the dramas, "Cheyenne" and "Idaho" for the Westerns, and ragtime for the comedies?

When every comedy ended in a chase, and every chase ended in a pond, with the old maid getting the man?

When John Bunny was the plutocrat of the profession at \$150 a week?

When Maurice Costello was the unrivaled idol of the screen?

When the Biograph Company shielded the identity of all its players?

When Biograph, Vitagraph, Edison, Lubin, Pathé, Selig and Essanay were the leading "film manufacturers"?

When such classics as "A Blot on the 'Scutcheon," "Pippa Passes" and "As You Like It" were compressed into one reel?

When breathless film fans went every week to see certain pairs, such as Earle Williams and Anita Stewart, Arthur Johnson and Lottie Briscoe, Mary Pickford and Owen Moore?

When Lionel Barrymore played secondary rôles in the Biograph one-reelers? When Kathlyn Williams and Pearl White started the serial craze?

When every emotional crisis was the signal for somebody to turn to the camera and say "My God!"?

When an actor always walked down in front of the camera to read a letter?

When all action was paralyzed for a few seconds at the point where a subtitle was to be inserted?

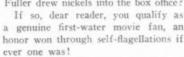
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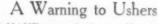
called "nickelodeons" and had to see without eyestrain the reprievea barker out in front to shout bearing heroine approaching at a gal-

> lop in the distance? Mary When Pickford, Norma Talmadge, Alice Joyce, Mabel Normand, Blanche Sweet and the Gishes worked on a picture-a-week schedule?

When Lottie Pickford was a rival of Sister Mary in the popularity contests, and the names Billy Quirk, Florence Lawrence,

Flo La Badie, Lillian Walker, Edith Storey, Carlyle Blackwell and Mary Fuller drew nickels into the box office?





T HAVE restrained myself at all audible title-reading.

I have ignored all parquet petting.

I have grunted "certainly" when walked past, brushed by and kicked by other spectators.

But, having seen a patron carrying a bag of potato chips into a movie for refreshment, I warn the ushers to start looking under all seats near mine when the show is over.

Sooner or later they'll find a body. McCready Huston.

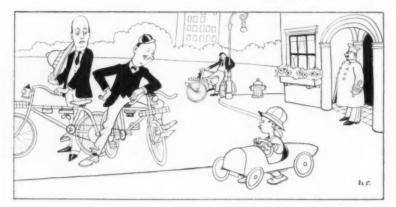
But to Return

MY wife's forever on the go."
"So's mine, but darn the luck, she always comes back."



First Extra: YES, DEARIE, IRVING THALBERG PRACTIC'LY PROMISED ME THE PART OF VENUS IN THAT DREAM SEQUENCE IN "HELL'S PARADISE," AND THEN THE RESEARCH EDITOR OR WHATEVER YOU CALL HIM STEPS UP AND SAYS: "SHE CAN'T PLAY VENUS-SHE'S GOT A VACCINATION MARK ON HER ARM." CAN YOU BEAT IT?

Second Extra: IT JUST PROVES WHAT I ALWAYS SAY, HONEY. THESE HIGHBROWS IS GOIN' TO RUIN THE PICTURE GAME.



The LIFE Polar Expedition

Special Correspondence from Robert Benchley

EN ROUTE with Life's Bicycle
Expedition to the North Pole—
May 17.
Woodlawn

We are now just between Woodlawn and Mt. Vernon, at a point where there seems to be some sort of road-digging going on. This means that we shall have to sit down and wait for them to finish, or else go back and take a roundabout reute. We are just a little discouraged.

"Chief," Lieut.-Commander Connelly said to me as we were pedalling through Morrisania (168th Street), "do you ever have any doubts about our catching up with the others—Amundsen and Byrd, I mean?"

I felt a strange little chill creep around my heart. Was this mutiny?

"Have you heard any of the men talking?" I asked, without looking at him.

"Well, no, not exactly," he replied, "but Ensign Thermaline asked me yesterday how long I figured out that it would be before we sighted one of the other expeditions."

"You can tell Ensign Thermaline," I said, "that if he will keep his feet pedalling 'round and 'round just as fast as he can and maintain his balance, the rest of us will do the same."

Lieut.-Commander Connelly looked at me with tears in his eyes. "Aye, aye, sir," was all that he said, but it spoke volumes.

From Mott Haven, where we spent the night, we have pedalled due north over the Grand Concourse, stopping only once at a repair shop to get a new thumb-piece for Ensign Thermaline's bell. Ensign Thermaline had been using the bell almost constantly since leaving 57th Street, being one of the most cautious pilots in the expedition.

A peculiarity of the country which we all have noticed since crossing over the Harlem River is the rows upon rows of large apartment houses which have sprung up along the route. At first none of us spoke of it, but finally Lieut,-Commander Connelly could keep his thoughts to himself no longer. "Have you noticed the large number of apartment houses along the way?" he asked. We all admitted that we had.

In front of one of these apartment houses an interesting sight met our eyes. A little boy was seen riding along in what looked like a very small auto-

TO NORTH POLE

• WHITE PLAINS
• HARISDALE
• SCARSDALE
• CRESTWOOD
• TICKAHOE
• BKONAVILLE
• MIVERNON
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MAP SHOWING PROGRESS OF EXPEDITION TO DATE.

mobile and it was in effect really an automobile except that it was propelled by the little boy's feet, which were in direct contact with the sidewalk. Some members of the expedition were in favor of stopping and getting the little boy to join, but wiser counsel prevailed and we decided that it would take him too long to get his winter things packed and that we ought not to incur any more delays than we should run into in the natural course of events. "He would have been cute, though," said Lieut.-Commander Connelly wistfully.

Just the other side of Williamsbridge we ran into an obstacle which for a while threatened to hold us up indefinitely. Right in our path we came to a high wall surrounding a reservoir. We sent Ensign Thermaline up to take soundings and he returned, making a long face, and reporting that the reservoir was practically ten feet deep.

"What a place to build a reservoir anyway!" I said, and the others joined me in my disgust.

Fording the darned thing being out of the question, we decided that it would be better to take one of the roads which seemed to lead around it. We chose the one to the left because left is Lieut.-Commander Connelly's favorite direction. And Dame Fortune was with us in our choice, for it led, after a while, right into the Bronx River Parkway, which was just where we wanted to be. Had we taken the road to the right, there is no telling where we should have ended up.*

It was in passing Woodlawn Cemetery that we got into the discussion which is still raging as we sit by the roadside before Mt. Vernon. The sight of the miles and miles of monuments in Woodlawn depressed Lieut.-Commander Connelly and set him thinking.

"Man's span is so short," he said, drawing up alongside my "bike" (as we call our wheels), "Man's span is so short that it seems hardly worth all the fuss and pother of trying, doesn't it?" he whispered.

"I think that word is 'bother,' "I said.
"Which word?" he asked.

"The word you called 'pother,' " I replied, a little cruelly, I am afraid.

"Are you sure?" he asked.

"As sure as one can be of anything in this old world," I said.

"That's just it," the lieutenant com-

^{*}The right road also leads to the Bronx River Parkway,—Editor.

mander returned, "what can one be sure of? We are born, grow up, make our little plans-and what sad, brave little plans they are, too-and then just as we think we are succeeding"-the young explorer stopped and looked at the rows of tombstones on our left.

"I know, Lieutenant-Commander," I said, sympathetically. "You don't have to say it."

And so we rode on in silence, until we reached this sort of digging-up they are doing in the road. Then I said: "Oh, the devil!" And at this rather pat climax to a discussion on philosophy, we both laughed.

But if we are held up very long here it will be no laughing matter, for in the papers we read that Amundsen is already on his way to the Pole from Spitzbergen.

(The brave boys of the LIFE Polar Expedition are pedalling furiously in a northerly direction and expect to reach Mt. Vernon any day now. Another despatch from Commander Benchley will appear next week.)

Came Envy

GREATLY dislike the picture folk. They seem so superciliously arrogant -or is it arrogantly supercilious?

Well, anyhow, they are. .

Achieving stardom on the tilt of a nose, the cast of an eye or the turn of an ankle.

And wearing fur coats and royal diadems; living in gorgeous palaces for which the public pays and drinking lavishly of beverages that should be no nearer to us than Mexico or Canada.

Forever having themselves photographed for the rotogravure sections



The Girl Friend: I've got such a headache, I just simply can't think. The Boy Friend: THAT'S FINE. WE'LL GO TO THE MOVIES.

and paying large sums to smart young men to write clever pieces about them.

Making "personal appearances" at theatres in a bid for greater popularity and brazenly assuring their audiences they are always glad to receive letters -then hiring secretaries to answer them and autograph pictures.

Yes; I greatly dislike the picture

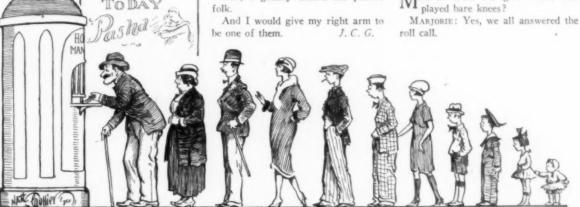
Night Final to Match

MRS.: Get me an evening paper while you are out, will you, dear? Mr.: Certainly, love; what one would you like?

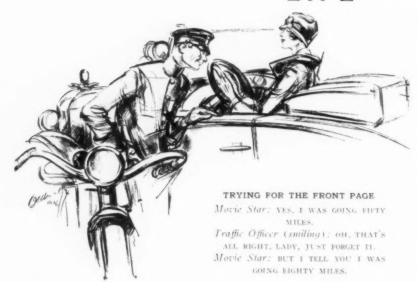
Mrs.: Oh, any one that will go well with my coral evening frock.

MADGE: So the girl hikers dis-

roll call.



DOWN THROUGH THE AGES



Conversations with Mary Ellen

The Terrible Situation in France

"M so glad you've come," said Mary Ellen, as she poured me out a cup of tea.

"Yes?" said I, hopefully, "You've finally decided that you'll marry me?"

"Don't be silly," said Mary Ellen, "It's about the French financial situation '

"What's about the French financial situation?" I asked, my spirits drooping.

"I don't understand it at all and I want you to explain it to me. They were talking about it at dinner last night and I had to sit there like a dumbbell. ... Now begin.'

"Sure you wouldn't rather have me make love to you?"

"You're not at all funny," said Mary Ellen, "except when you don't try to

So I began. "You see, the French didn't tax themselves as the other nations-" I noticed Mary Ellen pouting.

"What's the matter?" "I thought you were more observ-

ant," said Mary Ellen. "Here I've been almost pushing my new dress out at you and you haven't said a word about it."

"It is beautiful," I replied, "but then, you beautify every dress so-

"Go on with the French," said Mary

"Well, as I was saying, the French

"Paris has as many taxis as New York now."

"I'm speaking of taxes, not taxis." "Well, it has! I never thought I'd get across any street alive. And such pirates-terrible pirates.

"Well, the French didn't tax-"

"Speaking of pirates, have you seen 'The Black Pirate'-you know, Douglas Fairbanks' new picture?"

"Yes. Now when the French-"

"They say he'll make a fortune out of But he deserves it. He gives so much pleasure to the millions.

all, what better thing can a man do than give pleasure to the millions? Unless it's to make one person really completely happy. Do you think he does that? I mean, do you think he makes Mary Pickford really completely happy?"

"She looks happy," I said.

"Ah, but that doesn't prove anything. Women hide their feelings. I wonder if I'd be happy with him."

"No! You wouldn't be happy with any one but-"

Mary Ellen eyed me sternly. "You were going to tell me about the French situation."

"The low taxes-" I began again dutifully.

"Do you know, when I'm low the only thing that helps me is to dance." She looked up brightly. "Say, how would you like to dance now-?

I left her at the Ritz. As she swung off with another partner-I had to go-I heard her murmur: "I'm so glad you're here. I want you to explain to me all about that terrible situation in France. Though I beg and beg nobody seems willing to make it clear to me."

"Well, you see, it's the taxes," began the young man.

I heard no more. Bertram Bloch.

Everybody Knows One

BERRY: I know a man who knows nothing about baseball, yet never misses a game.

TERRY: Sure-I saw him play shortstop yesterday!



WHEN THE OPERATOR GOT THE THRILLING CLIMAX UPSIDE DOWN.



Another Movie Tragedy
The man who sat in David Wark Griffith's chair.



PRESIDENT COOLIDGE EMPLOYS A DOUBLE

A Girl's Confession

LOVE to read the SatEvePost
As in my bath I warmly toast,
The faucet forms a splendid rack;
Far-sighted, I lean idly back.
Should in the tub some pages trickle,
Who cares? I'm only out a nickel.
Sylvia Lyon.

MIDDLE WESTERN cities report motor camping started quite early this year. Of course, these early tourists may have been merely prudent souls on their way to get parking places at next fall's football games.

LIFE'S Glossary of the Movies

A DAPTATION—The business of murdering a dead masterpiece.

Animal comedy—The humor of human actions forcefully presented by animals who imitate us.

Art—Consult the smart and highbrow journals.

Author—The little worm that spun the original yarn.

Captions—Words used to eke out the story when actions fail. Also used by David Griffith for educating the masses.

Close-up—Interruption in the story to enable audience to view the unusual

sight of a tear coursing down the heroine's cheek.

Consorship—Don't make me laugh.

Continuity—Came the dawn...later

...after twenty years.

Dual rôle—Device for enabling the star to stay on the screen twice as long as desirable.

Fading in and out-A movie director's idea of Art.

Iris-Device for calling attention of morons to the bloody dagger.

Pantomime—What the best actors use instead of subtitles.

Publicity—The startling information that Miss Josie Jocelyn likes nothing better than to curl up on the sofa with a good book.

Scenario—Compromise achieved by the director and the star over the dying author's body.

Technicolor—Device for showing things in their natural colors, e.g., red water, green sky, blue trees, and pink heroines.

Epic—Film that contains a Babylonian revel, a scene where the boys march off to war, and a thunderstorm. W. L. Werner.

Social Clemency

THEY say in England that it takes three generations to make a gentleman; but in America you get two generations off for good behavior.

"I'M going to give you this violin."
"An out-and-out gift?"
"Absolutely! No strings to it!"



First Twin: NO, SIR; I AIN'T HEARD NO DOG IN THIS CAR, SIR.

· LIFE ·

The Younger Married Set

II. "Ye Mummers"

IN this installment, Mr. Chap-

of the cosmetic urge on the mem-

bers of the younger married set. Any one who has ever borne a torch

in the Little Theatre Movement

The Ladies' Tennis Tournament

Illustrated by Gluyas Williams

will appreciate the scenes described herein.

will take place next week.

pell describes the awful effects

harrowing

OOF! The town went drama last week and the Country Club set is still rocking on its base. A hectic time was had by all.

Of course, Bert Hoofner, the wellknown roustabout, figured largelybut I mustn't bring him in so early, for our big Drama Night really began long ago with the formation of Ye Mummers.

Ye Mummers is, -or are-a select and exclusive playacting organization which came into being not without some travail. How different things are now from the old days when frivolous farces were given, not by those who could act, but by those who

would. For vim and vigor we relied solely on artificial aids to inspiration supplied at supper-parties by members of the Shaker Colony. Disorder reigned supreme.

Then, into our merry midst came Wallace Onderdonck, who hurled a critical bombshell at the close of our spirited and spirituous performance of "Hattie's Hoopskirt," when he said austerely, "It's terrible-the worst I

have ever seen." Blasphemy!!! No one before had ever said anything but, "You were all wonderful!"

But Onderdonck is a personage. He has an air and wears horn-rimmed dimmers on a silk leash. Mrs. Bemis clinched his status. once lived in a stable in Greenwich Village," she whispered.

Willie Tripp, eminent stepper-out, protested. "He may know a lot about stalls but that doesn't make him a stage-horse."

Willie's wisecracks did not save him. He and all other roughnecks were canned. "Save them for the Minstrel Show," said Wallace

coldly. "That's where they belong." It is curious how every man thinks that a coat of burnt-cork conceals the fact that he is oreyeyed.

Thus Ye Mummers, born amid dissension and strife, has grown. Last week's affair was to have been its triumph and vindication, the blooming of a cast advertised as "all-star."

"All-star!" snickered Willie Tripp. "Remember our old five-star casts in which I played both the Haig Brothers?"

Rumor of troubles over play - selection found Czar Onderdonck adamant.

"Short plays are the thing," he said. "Ye Mummers must be progressive."

The Weekly Bulletin (our local journal) finally announced a triple bill in a pretty piece written by Miss Enid Flamm, millinery and reporting, whose literary style matches her hats.

"Dame Rumor whispers," wrote Miss Flamm, "that 'Ye Mummers,' under the direction of Mr. Wallace Onderdonck, will offer for their Gala Night at the Country Club a sumptuous and varied banquet of dramatic fare. Three play-

By George S. Chappell

lets will compose the courses of the feast, so to speak. First we shall see and hear the dainty 'Dialogue in Dresden,' in which the décors are an old - fashioned 'whatnot' upon which are seated two iigur - Gr ines. Daph- "ONDERDONCK ANNOUNCED

nis and Chloe. Be-

tween them a clock ticks out the minutes between Midnight and I A.M. (Daylight Saving time), when all good figurines 'come alive.' The dialogue which ensues is a delicious bit of fooling, tender, romantic and artistic.

"In contrast with this is the second offering, 'Sea Fruit,' a sombre adaptation from the Russian of Gorky. We see the cottage of Boris Mollusk, a Caspian crab-catcher, whose son Ivan has been drowned. This intriguing genre study has a surprise ending. The bill concludes with a thriller, 'The Wrong Flat,' by our own Wallace Onderdonck,

who, in addition to his other duties, will play the stellar rôle. In our next issue we hope to be able to give details of the various casts to whose appearance we look forward with lively anticipation."

As general preparations went forward Onderdonck grew paler and more irritable. The poor wretch had built up a complicated organization with departments for scenery, lights, props, program, ushers, tickets.... It was a great machine, only

things kept happening to it.

The night before the show Agnes Libby, one of the stars, ran into a closet door and bent her bridgework so badly



HIS OWN PIECE."



"DOC PETTNER AND MRS. BEMIS IN BUCOLIC SILKS AND SATINS."

that Hattie Farwell had to be rushed into the part of *Petroushka Mollusk*. Hattie has red hair and freckles, and Wallace said savagely, "You're not at all the type but you'll have to do." There were tears, apologies, late rebearsals...it was hell.

It was during this hectic period that Bert Hoofner worked himself into the proceedings. Wallace loathed him because whenever he, Wallace, took his train in the morning Bert would yell out, "The old family stage-coach is now leaving for the big city!" But Bert was so internally useful. When Wallace discovered at the eleventh hour that the chairs hadn't been ordered, it was Bert who said he would get them -and did, by telling the undertaker that it was the most important funeral that had ever happened out our way. Then Horace Bemis had to drop out of "The Wrong Flat" at the last moment. Who could play his part? Bert Hoofner! He was made for it. Wallace explained his part. "You come in at the big moment. You find the Woman, whom you suppose to be your wife, in my arms. You shoot her."

Bert was so enthusiastic about the rôle that he rehearsed by himself at the Club and fired off a Colt .45 within three feet of a tea-party. Mrs. Doc Petner tossed a cup of the scalding beverage high in air and caught it on language.

Well, the Big Night finally arrived. The programs didn't.

so ever-ready Bert was elected to announce the events. Out in front the audience was writhing impatiently.

"Listen to those chairs," wailed Onderdonck. "Can't they be oiled or something?"

Bert soothed him.
"Be calm, old boy,
the audience is oiled
...I'll go out and
tell them the bad
news."

His opening line, "Unaccustomed as I am to public squeaking—" was riotously received, as was his explanation that though the first



"BERT WAS SO ENTHUSIASTIC THAT HE REHEARSED BY HIMSELF AT THE CLUB."

piece contained a shepherd and a shepherdess it was not a crook melodrama. However, after a burst of applause at the sight of Doc Pettner and Mrs. Bemis in bucolic silks and satins, the audience sank into a lethargy from which they were only plucked by one of those things that will happen. This time it was the great clock, be-

tween the figurines, the hands of which were supposed to move around the dial. The property-man, that half-witted Libby boy, forgot them until roused by the couplet,

"But see, the hour is nearly one;

Our Midnight holiday is done..." when he rushed to the back of the dial and whirled the hands around with one fell swoop, amid cries of "How time flies!" "Atta-clock!" etc.

After a prodigious crashing of scenery we next gazed upon the crabcatcher's cottage. "Sea Fruit" had fairly rough going but even the turbulent element was stilled by the bringing in of Ivan's body (Ralph Coit) in a pine kimono. "How well he matches these undertaker's chairs," said Willie Tripp, and was shushed severely. A bitter dialogue followed between Boris and Petroushka which was interrupted by Father Paul, a priest, who said reasonably, "Hasn't the boy been here long enough?" That the cadaver should have sneezed at this moment was not Ralph's fault-there's been a lot of 'flu out our way-but it brought down the house and the curtain simultaneously and supplied the "surprise ending" mentioned by Miss Flamm.

Onderdonck announced his own piece, not proposing to submit it to the heavy handling of Hoofner.

"I have tried to show," he said, "the tragic consequences of Error fumbling blindly at the door of Mischance."

We now gazed at a handsome apartment, every detail of which expressed sinful luxury. Our more conservative citizens squeaked uneasily and stole glances at Dr. Vetch, whose neck grew rosy over his clerical collar. A painted lady, "The Woman," played timidly by Ruby Pettner, was awaiting a call from "The Man" (Wallace Onderdonck), who, it was whispered, was her lover. Fancy that!

Wallace entered. There was nothing (Cont. on page 30)



"OUR MORE CONSERVATIVE CITIZENS SQUEAKED UNEASILY."

Movie Lovers

THE lady in the tenth row is much too near.

The lady in the fifth row is too far away.

The lady in the twelfth row has quite a good ear.

The lady in the ninth row was marcelled to-day.

The lady on the side aisle can't see a thing.

The lady in the gallery abhors the parterre.

The lady in the loge wishes some one would sing.

The lady in the dress circle's just bobbed her hair.

The lady in the red hat is scented too high.

The lady in the green dress is showing a knee.

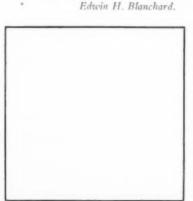
That's what you see and that's what you hear.

What's on the program? Well, don't ask me! Baron Ireland.

Apostasy

A FTER twenty-seven years as a faithful reader of the Daily War-whoop, Henry Bandygoof lost his faith in his favorite afternoon newspaper. He had believed it when it said that Capital and Labor had a common cause, that the city was enjoying its most efficient police administration, and that the French never intended to pay us, and he never questioned its weather reports or its stock quotations.

But Henry finally became convinced of the venality of the press. It was on the day that the *Warwhoop* printed the wrong Mutuel price on Fair Day in the fifth race at Churchill Downs.



WHAT A MOVIE INGENUE THINKS ABOUT



Movic Director (to beautiful-but-dumb star); RAGE! SHOW RAGE! ACT LIKE YOU WAS A PROHIBITION OFFICER WHO'S HAD TO PAY CASH FOR SOME LIQUOR!

Explainable

VERYTHING in men's wear-L ables"—to quote a survertisement—is obtainable at a Wearables, certain New York shop. Wearables, you should know, differ quite radically from ordinary clothes. Wearables are the sort of thing worn only by buyables. These buyables represent the more favored few among us livables who can afford wearables. The buyable of wearables breakfasts on eatables, goes to his place of business in a rideable, spends the morning directing the activities of his workables, repairs to luncheon of more eatables (including vegetables), with usually one or two congenial knowables for company. He then returns for further labors among the employables, only to be found later mingling with his fellow clubables and perhaps partaking even of a drink-

able or two. As a dinner guest or theatre companion he rates well up among the desirables, being a chap of the knowable, likable, get-at-able, invitable sort. Thus the buyer and wearer of wearables is certain to be numbered among the foremost presentables on all occasions. This is what the wearing of wearables does for a man, if you know what we mean.

Foster Ware.

Feminine Reserve

HE: What happened when Bill called on you last night? SHE: Necks to nothing.

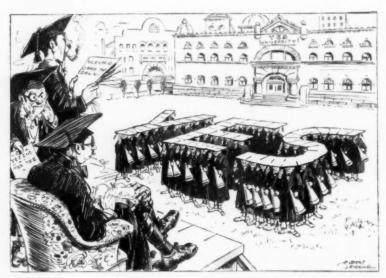
"HOW did Senator Dodge lose his popularity?"

"He expressed a definite opinion."



THE YOUNG PRETENDER

"MOTHER, WHEN I GROW UP I'M GOING TO MARRY MARY PICKFORD."
"BUT SHE'S ALREADY MARRIED TO DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS."
"OH—THAT'S ALL RIGHT. I CAN GET RID OF HIM!"



THE GRADUATING CLASS OF ASSISTANT DIRECTORS SPELL THE NAME OF THEIR COLLEGE

On Hirsute Flawlessness

MUCH admire the realistic touches
As practiced by the more efficient men
In all the better moving pictures, such as
"A Woman of Paris," "Greed," "Kiss Me
Again."

I yield applause in honor to each actor And actress who performs with truth and care;

But here is an objectionable factor: How is it that they never muss their hair?

The screen flickers. A lady wakes from slumber,

Dismal and unappealing is her room; I note delightedly the lavish number

Of objects quite veracious in their gloom. Her nightgown has a torn and trailing border; She yawns; she has a most untidy air;

And yet her tresses are in perfect order! How is it that they never muss their hair?

Regard this youth. You've really got to doff your

Chapeau to him for keeping so intact The glory of his scintillating coiffure

In spite of all the villains he has whacked. Long and unceasingly the man has scuffled, Bitter and fierce has been his eyes' wild glare,

But still his head is utterly unruffled.

How is it that they never muss their hair?

Simonetta.

The Straw

"THE jury has found you guilty of murder in the first degree," pronounced the Judge, grimly. "The penalty is death!"

The coldest-blooded murderer of modern times wilted not a wilt.

"But because of your aged mother," Justice droned on, "I am commuting your sentence to life imprisonment at hard labor."

The prisoner moved not a muscle. Not the slightest show of emotion.

"During which you are specifically forbidden to write for the confessional magazines!"

Uttering a piteous cry for mercy, the doomed man collapsed.

Ray W. Frohman.

Penalty of Insignificance

MARSH: Here's one name on the committee that I never heard of.

Webster: Oh, that's probably the person who actually does the work.



Standing Up for the Movies

EXCHANGED my sixty cents for a bit of lavender pasteboard and took my place in the line headed for balcony seats. I had ambition, grit, and a high moral courage, and actually expected to see the film.

After about three hours' steady stairclimbing in close lock-step, I emerged into a dimly lighted, low-ceilinged room at the top of the theatre, where some 10,000 men and women were standing about looking dejectedly at the floor. It was 'a dismal sight, and reminded me of the madhouse scene in "Peer Gynt." From behind an unusually dense mass of people at one side came faint sounds of music and laughter.

"That's the show over there." explained an elderly man, pointing to the north. "Never seen it myself, but I guess it's pretty amusing from what I hear. Some say it's about a ship; others, about a Northwest logging camp. You hear all sorts of rumors. Knew a man once who saw a hand on the screen."

Looking about me, I noticed what seemed to be an encampment. In one corner an elderly man and his wife were cooking their supper before an open fire in front of a tent made of old overcoats. Near by a young mother was rocking her baby to sleep.

"If you really want to know what the picture's about," my friend contin-



A STONE AGE SCENARIO

ued, "the best way is to get one of your kids to crawl between the legs of the people around the aisle entrances, and then listen to what he tells you."

"But I haven't any children." I stammered.

"Oh, that's all right," he answered; "they come in time. We've got a very select community up here. Why don't you settle down and marry? I'm sure you'll like it better and better as the years go on. I was born here myself. Better settle down, son, and forget about the show...."

"FIRE!" I shouted at the top of my lungs. "FIRE!! FIRE!!!" and leaped over the banisters onto the heads of the never-ending stream of newcomers.

Yes, I'm quite recovered by now, thank you.

Creighton Peet.

Loggerheads

"WHAT, another row with your wife! What's the trouble this time?"

"The same old thing—she's right and I don't agree with her."

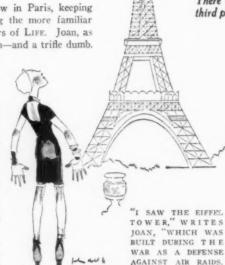
Life's Travel Contest

MISS JOAN KINLEY is now in Paris, keeping her eyes open and reporting the more familiar sights in her letters to the readers of LIFE. Joan, as we have explained, is only sixteen—and a trifle dumb.

Her letters are full of inaccuracies—misstatements of fact which result from her inexperience as a reporter.

You are invited to look for these mistakes in Joan's letters, and to correct them. That is the idea of the Travel Contest. The contestant who finds the greatest number of mistakes in Joan's eight letters, and writes the best essay on "What I Shall See in Europe," will be given a trip abroad, with all expenses paid, for two people.

Read the conditions carefully. Remember that no answers to this Contest are to be submitted until Joan's eighth letter is published on June 24th.



The winner of this Contest will be presented with a six-weeks' trip from any point in the United States or Canada to France and England and return—with ALL EXPENSES PAID, FOR TWO PEOPLE.

There will be a second prize of \$250 in cash, a third prize of \$150, and a fourth prize of \$100.

Conditions

ONE of Joan's letters will appear each week for eight consecutive weeks, commencing May 6th and closing June 24th. In each letter will be errors and inaccuracies in her descriptions of routes, places, directions, etc., and on detection of these mistakes, not grammatical errors, or the use of slang, the Contest is based.

In order to compete it will be necessary to send in at one time the complete set of her letters (or exact typewritten copies) with your correction of each error plainly marked on its letter or on an accompanying sheet of paper.

The first prize will be awarded to the contestant who indicates the greatest number of errors in Joan's letter and who writes the best essay on "What I Shall See in Europe." This essay, which must not exceed three hundred words in length, is to be enclosed with the corrected letters.

All answers to this Contest must reach Life Office between 9 A.M. on June 24th and 12 noon on July 13th. No answers received at any other time will be considered as competing in the Contest.

Use one side of paper only, with your name and address in upper left-hand corner of each sheet; both essay and corrections to be typewritten or very plainly written; full first-class postage prepaid thereon, and sent to Joan Kinley, Life, 598 Madison Avenue, New York.

Announcement of the winners will appear in the August 5th issue of LIFE.

It is not necessary to be a subscriber to Life in order to compete. Copies of Life may be seen at any Public Library, or free of charge at the office of publication. You may copy the letters and use the copies you have made.

There is no limit to the number of answers that any one contestant may submit.

The Contest is open to every one, except members of Life's staff and their families.

The judges will be three of the editors of Life, whose decision will be final.

In case of ties the prize will be given to each tying contestant.

This Is Joan's Third Letter -Watch for the Mistakes

DEAR Editor:
Well, Paris is just simply too divine for words. I only which I were a great poet like Milton who wrote that "Ode on First Looking at Chapman's Homer," so that I could describe my sensations on first looking at Paris.

Of course, what attracted my attention right off the "bat" was the Eiffel Tower, which was built during the war as a defense against air raids. It is almost as tall as the Woolworth Building.

The whole city of Paris is full of impressive reminders of the Great War. There is the Arc de Triomphe, which was put up to celebrate the victory over Von Hindenburg, and the Statue of our splendid General Pershing in the Place d'e Iena. We went to a French party and there I met a direct descendant of Jeanne d'Arc, that heroine whose life of idealism and sacrifice is a constant *inspiration* to me! We also saw the place where the Bastille fell. None of the ruins remain, and so it must have been a really devastating earthquake.

IT IS ALMOST AS TALL AS THE WOOL-WORTH BUILDING,"

Paris is really too amusing, but Mother is worried about me because I will talk to all the taxidrivers. I've always been thrilled by the story of their exploits in driving their cabs to the Battle of Sedan.

Lovingly,

Joan Kinley

P. S. I'll write you again from Paris next week.



THE GAY NINETIES

THE TÊTE-À-TÊTE CHAIR AND THE DANCE PROGRAM WITH ITS LITTLE PENCIL ON A SILKEN CORD

—TWO FINE OLD INSTITUTIONS THAT HAVE GONE TO JOIN THE DODO BIRD.

The Nesting Season

ELL, the one I saw had the cutest drop-leaf breakfast table, but my kitchen cabinet wouldn't have gone in; Aunt Myrtle's gift, you know, and we simply can't afford to offend her, so I had to—

—First floor, and a private door to the porch, and it did seem ideal! But, my dear, when we looked into the bathroom there was no tub, only a shower, and although Bob liked that, of course I decided—

—Only forty-five, but a horrid, stuffy little efficiency; and although the bay window was lovely, it was a northwest corner and sure to be cold in winter, so—

-Yes, it is rather far out, but Ethel says it's really cheaper, after you get to know the right stores, and where we are now everybody acts so disagreeable because poor

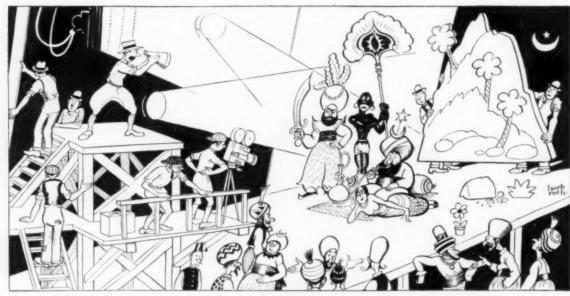
Fluffy barks all day in the apartment, and I'm sure the fresh air will be better for-

—The only thing is, where could we put Cousin Aurelia? After giving us that check, she'll be sure to want to stay with us when she's in town, and there isn't an inch—

-Not a place to hang anything on the walls, but then they say that pictures aren't being used any more, so I might as well get rid of mine and take it, for the location is just what we
Corinne Rockwell Swain.

Her Permanent

MR. HIGHBROW: King Canute tried to stop the waves. MR. LOWBROW: Yes, but I'll bet his wife went on getting them just the same.



ACCOMPLISHING THE IMPOSSIBLE

Director: HI, YOU BOYS, SHOVE THAT MOUNTAIN ABOUT TEN FEET CLOSER TO MAHOMET, WILL YOU?

Collecting a Claim

A PRIL 26—File claim with insurance company for \$226,33, cost of repairing your car after accident.

May 19—Advise insurance company, in response to request for particulars, that car bearing license number, N. Y., 28,371,652, Biffem J. Biffem, owner, driving, attempted to pass truck on hill, ascending, and while so doing crashed into you, descending.

May 28—Advise insurance company Biffem J. Biffem's present address is County Jail, Roadhog County, where he is spending thirty days for reckless driving, but if they don't hurry they'll miss him.

June 9—Extend condolences to insurance company for missing connections with Biffem J. Biffem, and advise you don't know where he can be found now, unless he's been driving his car again, in which case he may be in almost any hospital.

July 7—Explain to insurance company that your car was seriously damaged; it did not proceed under its own power after accident, as Mr. Biffem claims; it merely rolled downhill, where, fortunately, there was a garage, and three exceptionally strong mechanics pushed it in. . Jug. 16—Forward to insurance company receipted bill for \$226.33, from Gyppem Garage, for repairs to one Fritz Six.

Scpt. 3—Write insurance company expressing regret that Mr. Biffem is at present in Europe, but inquire what this



"UGH! WOMEN!"

has to do with their forwarding check in amount due for damages.

Oct. 9—Acknowledge receipt of notice that annual premium is due for next twelve months. Tell company to deduct the \$83.56 from amount of your claim.

Oct. 24—Advise insurance company you will not send check for \$83.56 for premiums due. It might be, as they say, simpler for them, but not for you.

Nov. 10—Advise company, if they want their expert to inspect car, he must apply to Fritz Six agency for information as to its whereabouts. You traded it in on new model last month.

Dec. 15—Write insurance company advising you'll be hanged if you'll settle for one cent less than the repairs cost.

Dec. 20-Drop note to company wishing claim agent Merry Christmas.

Jan. 25—Acknowledge receipt of insurance company's check for \$37.29 in full settlement of all claims.

James Kevin McGuinness.

The Pacifier

MANAGER: So our employees got into a heated argument over Prohibition? How was it settled?

Boss: By the five o'clock whistle.

Our Greater Camps

The 1926 Model of "Life's Fresh Air" Communities

ET'S begin to think of Summer now!

Summer—with all its terrors for the children of New York's tenements!

Very soon it will be time to open again Life's Camps as an answer to those heartbreak-days in the slums. Life's Camps—a Camp for Boys at Pottersville, New Jersey, and a Camp for Girls at Branchville, Connecticut.

We use the word Camps for these holiday places because they conform, in all that is best, most efficient and most beneficial, to the great camp movement which is so justly popular in America to-day.

Our aim is to take to the Camps this Summer many of the children who were there last year, so that these holidays may prove not merely incidents but vital and constructive parts of their lives. During the Winter we have kept in touch with Life's children through an able system of personal contact.

Children—especially the little people whom we pick up in the ill-smelling, humid, crowded streets of the Lower East Side—need so many things besides just "fresh air" and glimpses of trees and fields!

OUR Camps give them these and much more—as the result of scientific development and of your unceasing generosity. They receive, for instance—

Better health—based on examinations, diet, supervision, proper exercise and a close study of every child. This sort of health-betterment carries over into the next Winter, lending greater resistance to the dangerous conditions of tenement life.

And happiness! We try to give them this. We have counselors — trained, kindly and enthusiastic—who are their friends and who lead them, through their games and camp activities, to a sense of fairness and honor.

With better health and more real happiness we claim that these little boys and girls make better youthful citizens—that they become just so many youngsters permanently removed from possible *affiliation with "gangs" and weaklings.

But—this is not achieved in a week, nor indeed in two weeks.

A tenement-bred child, suddenly facing his new world with us in the country, needs a bit longer to adjust himself. All his life is different at Camp. His well-chosen, clean food is a new diet. His regular hours are in the nature of a shock to him. He has to wash his hands and comb his hair before meals. He has to bathe every day and wear night clothes in bed. He has to be polite and "watch his manners." He learns that good Camp work is rewarded and that shirking and dishonesty are scorned by his pals and his counselors.

IN a word, he is face to face with the meaning of "good citizen" and "good government."

Do you think that even a taste of this can be really acquired in two weeks? We don't!



"PLEASE, CAN MY 'TOITLE' AND ME GO BACK TO LIFE'S CAMP THIS YEAR?"

So, we have decided to divide the vacation season at both Camps—beginning July 1st and lasting ten weeks—into four periods, or approximately eighteen days for each child. Eighteen wonderful days!

We deem this longer holiday a scientific and economical advance over the old fortnight. Your money will earn much, much more in the long run.

THE lengthened stay means, of course, a greater outlay per child—twenty dollars would be a good average figure, although, as of old, anything from a few cents up to thousands of dollars will be received with gratitude. Every penny helps.

The great point is, we plan to take at least one thousand three hundred and fifty boys and girls this Summer (more than we have ever had before) and keep them a longer time under our wing.

In one thousand three hundred and fifty little hearts beauty and joy and friendliness will have a chance to blossom; and that many little bodies will have a chance to grow strong.

That's a lot!

That's the sort of thing that our readers have been doing, with slight variations of the figures, for over forty years.

KEEP open a little corner of your hearts wherein to drop some thoughts about these children and their dependence upon you. Put aside a little corner of your purse wherein to drop such nickels and such dollars as you can spare for them.

Very soon the pale, palpitant line will be standing at the gate in the big Railway Depot waiting to be whisked away to green fields and pastures new.

You hold some child's ticket-or a part of it-in your hand.

If those corners of your heart and your purse are already overflowing, please send your check to Life's Fresh Air Fund, 598 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y. At any rate—

Let's begin to think of Summer now. Summer—with all its terrors for the children of New York's tenements!

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A^S this issue of Life goes to press a number of activities have started, the results of which cannot be foreseen. The big one

of the lot is the general strike in England with four and a half million men out, coal mining stopped, railroads not running, newspapers not published.

When English union labor declared a general strike Mr. Baldwin said: "The government finds itself challenged by an alternative government." He had done what he could, he said, and the strike, as he saw it, was "the entrance of democratic freedom on a course which, if successful, can only substitute tyranny." Lloyd George took the view that the situation was "not a revolution, but a plain economic dispute in which justice is wanted." Ramsay MacDonald said that the capitalist machine had broken down, and that the job that pressed was "to transform British capitalism into something higher which will justify itself." "I believe," he said, "in historical evolution for the British Isles. I do not believe in revolution for this country. We have a democracy here and do not need revolution, but we have a class conflict: the worst thing that can overtake society." Mr. Baldwin's government he called a powerful, smoothly organized reaction. No British government in his time, he said, had mishandled the real business of the nation more than this one had. In his opinion the single idea of the Tories was to shift the financial burden of government from the backs of the wellto-do to those of the masses.

As to the coal problem, which has brought all this trouble to a head, one

reads words of a Yorkshireman quoted from the Yale News: "The miners are the worst-paid workers in England. The coal owners have been condemned officially as an incompetent body of men, and the whole system of private ownership has been disastrously wasteful."

MR. MACDONALD, as observed, does not think well of Mr. Baldwin's government, but a great many people and newspapers, both in this country and in England, think very well of Mr. Baldwin. He seems to win the kind of approbation that Mr. Coolidge gets in this country. Mr. MacDonald is for labor and he has a case; but Mr. Baldwin looks to be for England, and he has a case too, and has besides a very high-grade thoughtful-businessman's intelligence.

Now, then, what will our cousins make of this situation? Will it be all over before this paper comes to its readers, or will it have gone from bad to worse? We know what happened in Italy. Labor broke loose there, quit its job, nothing was being done and along came the Fascisti and Mussolini with black shirts and castor oil and got things moving again, and they are moving still and are as satisfactory to a large part of the public and to most visitors as Prohibition is to Judge Gary. But liberty in Italy is considerably exanimate. Free speech for the time being is defunct. Black shirts and force may do something in England, but nothing in that island will be permanently purchased at the cost of free speech and the other necessary particulars of liberty.

As one looks over there from the convenient distance of 3,000 miles, the expectation arises that this strike will be settled soon. It looks too big to last. If it goes on and goes strong, it means universal loss. The threat of a general strike had to be met; one can see that, but the case of the miners must somehow be medicated, and the natural medication seems to be to buy the mines.



THE predicament of John Adams Ab-bott of Boston, direct descendant of the illustrious Adamses of that town, and also of the by-no-means-to-besniffed-at Abbott family of the same city, immured in Italy on the accusation of a guide for speaking disrespectfully of Mussolini, has engaged the attention of all our newspapers, but especially, of course, of those published in Boston. Happily the papers announce that Mr. Abbott has been found innocent of the offenses charged and let out of jail. He has had more political notices than any Adams has had for a generation. From what one read about him and from his picture as the papers print it. the impression is produced that he would make a pretty good Black Shirt himself. It is possible that he fell into overemphasis in rebuking a Roman guide, but so far as appears he has done nothing discreditable to the country of his origin.



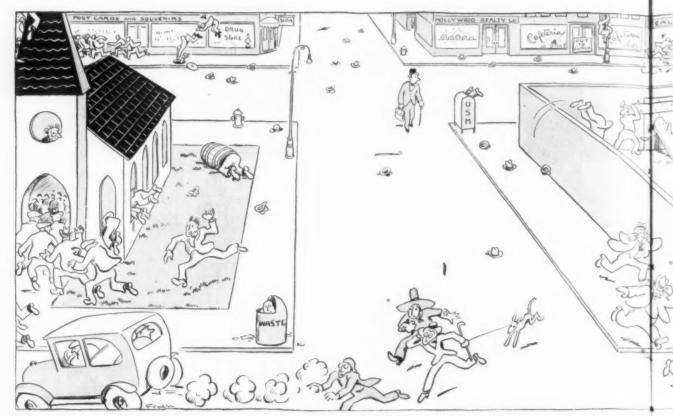
NOWLEDGE and happiness are Noth increased by the return of Ding's cartoons to the newspapers. Those pictures have an ineradicable propensity to speak the truth. That is their great value and of course it adds to it that they minister so copiously to entertainment.

OSCAR STRAUS has died. He lived a good while and to excellent purpose. He was strong for social service, skilful in diplomacy, especially in Southeastern Europe, greatly respected by politicians and highly competent in business. This last he had to be because he was a copious and steady giver. He was a Democrat and a Republican in turn. A Jew, born in Germany, he was esteemed and honored by whichever party he cast his lot with. Put him down as a successful man.

E. S. Martin.



Hands Across the Sea



A Stranger with an Original Idea Enters Hollywo

The Later Life of Rip Van Win

R IP VAN WINKLE had been home about a month. He was sitting by the fire one evening, dozing, wondering what was going to happen to him now that the world had changed so much, when he was roused by a knock at the door. He opened it, and in the moonlight saw three of the village selectmen, Hans Wruncky, Diedrich van Flomm and Ichabod Trent.

"Come in, neighbors," said Rip cheerfully, though his heart misgave him when he saw the serious mien of all three,

"We are not neighbors to-night," said Diedrich van Flomm, as he took off his great-coat. "We are a Committee."

"We have come," added Wruncky, "to ask you some questions."

"Ah," groaned Rip, "they'll ask me what I am going to do to justify my existence. And when I tell them I have nothing to do they will make me leave town for a common burn and a loafer."

"First," said Ichabod Trent, drawing forth from his pocket a paper from which he now read. "First, are you a firm believer in the Constitution?"

Rip smiled apologetically. "I don't know it," he said. "When I went from here George of Hanover was still king." "That's all right," cried Diedrich, and the others nodded cheerfully.

When Ichabod Trent had put a check-mark next to the first question he went on to the second.

"What do you know about foreign affairs?" he asked.

"I've never had one," said Rip, attempting a joke.

"Splendid!" they cried.

"And humorous too," added Hans Wruncky. "We must have a drink on that!" So Rip fetched the brandy.

"Which brings us to the third question," said Ichabod. "What would you say if there was a fuss made about drinking? Would you say that there should be a law forbidding it?"

"What! Give up schnapps and wine?" cried Rip.

"We have not said you must give them up. But suppose a law was wanted prohibiting the other fellow from getting a drink, would you consent to that?" "Sure," said Rip. "Schnapps isn't the other feller. It's all right for m I can take it or leave it alone."

"Very neat, the way Rip puts it," Diedrich. And the others echoed him.

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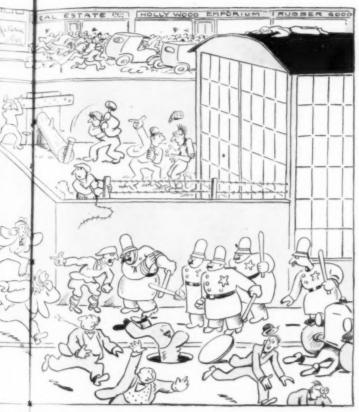
"Never was the beautiful silence!"

"The master-masserts nothing,"



NUBBVILLE SPARK

THERE'S A HEAP O' DIFF'RENCE BETWEEN BEIN' MOVIE-MAD AN' MOVIE-DISGUSTED.



Hollywood

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master-mind! He mothing, he denies "Rip," said Diedrich, "we have been looking for a man to be head selectman of the village, but we couldn't seem to find one who would satisfy the voters. Then we remembered that you had been asleep for twenty years and we thought you might do. But we never expected you to be as good as you have shown yourself to be. Rip, shake hands."

The rest is history. Everybody knows how overwhelmingly Rip Van Winkle was elected and re-elected, retiring at last only because constant exposure to ideas was beginning to give him pronounced views on a number of things.

Bertram Bloch.

With the Best of Luck

"THERE are too many slackers in the church to-day!" shouted the minister vehemently. "Drop your apathy. We must go over the top, now!"

"And let's give 'em hell, boys," yelled the ex-infantryman, starting up from his doze.

DYER: Was it a good show? RYER: No, just decent.

Life Lines

THE British situation has been bad enough, but reason totters on its throne in contemplating what would happen should the ex-Premiers of France vote a general strike.

Theatrical producers profess to see no menace in the little theatre movement. It's the little audience movement that bothers them at this

Among those who are not being heard from lately is the revivalist who converted Herrin, Illinois, to the cause of righteousness.

time of year.

Miss Florence Spreen, of Brooklyn, in having her suitor, Herman Engenstadt, arrested because he left three bottles of whisky at her door, explains that she is "just an old-fashioned home girl." New title for Gen, Butler."

LER—"just an old-fashioned home marine."

Strange that the wines and beer advocates haven't gone back to Genesis 1:3 for their arguments: "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light."

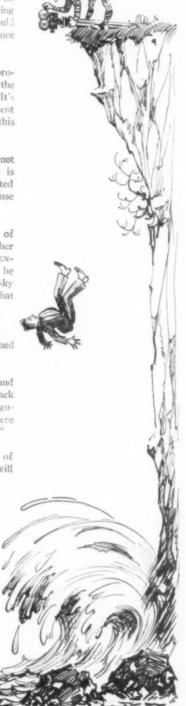
One argument urged in favor of 2.75 per cent, beer is that it will be nice to use as a chaser.

Worst Fears Realized
YSOBEL: No. daddy,
I won't need any

clothes this summer.

Father: Ye gods! I was afraid it would come to that!

THE man who would not be King-Mussolini.



"HEY, YOU SAP, DON'T LOOK AT THE CAMERA! DO YOU WANT THE PUBLIC TO KNOW THAT VALENTING IS USING A DOUBLE IN THIS SCENE?"

Confidential Cuide Course

Owing to the time it takes to print Life, readers should verify from the daily newspapers the continuance of the attractions at the theatres mentioned.

More or Less Serious

Bride of the Lamb. Henry Miller's—Alice Brady giving a stirring performance in the rôle of a woman who takes her sex vicariously.

Craig's Wife. Morosco-The winner of the Pulitzer Prize, with very few objections.

The Great God Brown. Klave—Eugene O'Neill looks at Man and Life. You don't always know what it is he finds, but it is a beautiful piece of looking.

The Half-Caste. National-Still running!

The Jazz Singer. Cort—Singing and sentiment from George Jessel.

Kongo. Biltmore—Just a lot of the good old hoke, with a kick in it.

Lulu Belle. Belasco—Lenore Ulric as a dusky vampire who gets hers and gets it good. Henry Hull as Nemesis.

The Servant in the House. Hampden's-Walter Hampden in a revival of the Charles Rann Kennedy opus.

Sex. Daly's-Reviewed in this issue.

The Shanghai Gesture. Martin Beck—Purely physical life in China, with Florence Reed to add a dash of drama now and then.

Square Crooks. Maxine Elliott's-You can figure out what this is all about from the name.

Young Woodley. Belmont—Glenn Hunter in a singularly fine story of Love's young dream, with sex undertones.

Comedy and Things Like That

Abie's Irish Rose. Republic—Four years old this week. Three ounces of drinking-iodine, please.

Alias the Deacon. Hudson-Good commer-

At Mr. Beam's. Guild—Highly amusing goings-on in an English boarding-house. Jean Cadell, Lynn Fontanne and Alfred Lunt.

Beau-Strings. Mansfield-Estelle Winwood as the lady who wanted to be friendly.

Cradle Snatchers. Music Box-Three middle-aged ladies with spring fret.

The Gorilla. Selwyn—Return engagement of last year's boisterous mystery burlesque.

The Importance of Being Earnest. Comedy-A good revival of Wilde.

Is Zat So? Chanin's-Tough talk which is very funny.

Laff That Off. Wallack's—Good enough to have stuck the season out.

The Last of Mrs. Cheyney. Fulton—Crook comedy in the very best surroundings, giving Ina Claire a grand chance and Roland Young another.

Love 'Em and Leave 'Em. Sam H. Harris— Just about as satisfactory a little play as you will find. It deals with department store clerks.

Love-in-a-Mist. Gaiety-Madge Kennedy getting a lot of laughs into pretty thin quarters.

Not Herbert. Forty-Ninth St.—Crook melodrama which manages to be funny.

One of the Family. Ellinge-Grant Mitchell in a lot of Boston hot-water.

The Patsy. Booth-Entertaining while you remember it.

Pomeroy's Past. Longacre-Delightful fluff, with Ernest Truex and Laura Hope Crews.

The Sport of Kings. Lyceum-To be reviewed next week.

What Every Woman Knows. Bijou—Helen Hayes making the old play new.

The Wisdom Tooth. Little-A fantasy which we think is just exactly right.

Eye and Ear Entertainment

Bad Habits of 1926. Greenwich Village-

By the Way. Central—Jack Hulbert and Cicely Courtneidge in an intelligent and entertaining British revue.

The Cocoanuts. Lyric-Those Marx boys are certainly comical.

Dearest Enemy. Knickerbocker-Nice music and nice Helen Ford.

Garrick Galeties. Garrick-To be reviewed next week.

The Girl Friend. Vanderbilt—A good, speedy

The Great Temptations. Winter Garden-Tobe reviewed later.

Greenwich Village Follies. Shubert—With Moran and Mack—and Tom Howard—any show would be worth seeing.

Iolanthe. Plymouth—A superb revival of Gilbert and Sullivan.

Kitty's Kisses. Playhouse—To be reviewed next week.

A Night in Paris. Casino de Paris—French and American in diverting combination.

No, No, Nanette. Globe—Oh, tell about it

Pinafore. Century—The old favorite done

Raquel Meller. Empire—The famous Spanish hypnotist-singer at comparatively popular

hypnotist-singer at comparatively popular prices.

Song of the Flame. Apollo—Tessa Kosta in

Song of the Flame. A pollo—Tessa Kosta in a big Russian production.

The Student Prince. Jolson's—A lot of men

Sunny. New Amsterdam-Still the most show for the most money.

Sweetheart Time. Imperial-Moderate.

Tip-Toes. Liberty-One of the season's best.

The Vagabond King. Casino-The kind you used to hear.

Vanities of 1926. Earl Carroll-Girls and Joe Cook, Julius Tannen and Frank Tinney.



The Great Director: AND WHY, MAY I ASK, AM I REFUSED ADMISSION TO THIS PLACE?

St. Peter: GOD SAYS HE'S VERY SORRY, BUT YOU'RE NOT THE TYPE.



All About Sex

N the morning following the opening of the play entitled, with commendable candor, "Sex," the newspapers were brief and a trifle pettish in their dismissal of it. "Cheap," "dull," "vulgar" and "tiresome" were a few of the descriptive adjectives used by the assistant dramatic critics who went 'way up to Sixty-third St. to cover it. Things looked pretty black for a Mr. C. William Morganstern, who had given himself the distinction of "presenting" the drama.

That night, there being nothing else to write about, we thought that we might trek up to see "Sex," if, indeed, it was still running after its castigation in the press. We hate to sit in a half-empty theatre, but there might be a couple of good moral notes that we could strike on the subject; so up we ambled.



A T the corner of Central Park West and Sixty-third St., we ran into a line of people which seemed to be extending in the general direction of Daly's Theatre. At first we thought that Mr. C. William Morganstern was being inserted in the stocks by the authorities, but the line was directed more at the box-office than at the public pillory, and what was more, the people standing in line were clutching, not complimentary passes, but good, green dollar bills. In other words, "Sex," one of the most banal of plays, was a whacking hit, solely because the papers had said that it was "vulgar" and "bold" and because some one had the genius to think of its name.

And we feel that the Filipinos aren't yet quite ready for us to let them govern themselves.



THE sudden rush to see "Sex" is not confined to the canaille. The agencies are hot after tickets and each night soft-purring limousines roll up with theatre parties of gentry, out "just for a lark." There must be something in this sex business, after all, to interest so many people.

As a matter of fact, "Sex" is no more startling and no more shocking and certainly no more reprehensible than a half-dozen others which have graced the local boards this winter. So far as one can judge, it was written with no more of an eye to the box-office than was "The Shanghai Gesture" or "Lulu Belle." All three may claim that they are sincere pictures of that particular stratum of life which they represent, and certainly, once you have your characters talk as such characters really talk, you can not maintain that you are a sincere realist and the other man is a gross panderer to public depravity. Once you write a sex play, you must take your place with the other writers of sex plays and accept your royalties without wincing.

"Sex" is technically a much worse piece of work than "The Shanghai Gesture" and "Lulu Belle," and is nowhere near dirty enough to pay you for getting up a dinner party of nice people to go to it, but we see no reason why it should come in for any eyebrow-lifting.



THE rush of semi-amateur intimate revues, in which several good satirical ideas are made to take the place of a smooth production, and the enthusiasm of a group of ambitious young people is substituted for the easy and finished performance of professionals, has culminated in the presentation at the Greenwich Village Theatre of "Bad Habits of 1926"

Personally, we would much rather see an amateurishly acted show containing two-such sketches as "The Creaking Gorilla" and "All-Star Cast" than a professionally mounted collection of such thin porridge as is dished up annually by the big producers. Once you get over the initial feeling that the show is going to collapse at any moment from the entire cast's bursting into tears with excitement, there is much more satisfaction in attending these ventures, precarious and nerve-racking as they are, than the most finished production of a series of sketches dealing with gentlemen hiding under beds and spectacular numbers showing the different kinds of pansies in the world's history. And incidentally, the number in "Bad Habits" wherein Miss Ann Schmidt bathes in a pool of light is a conceit worth more than passing notice. It will probably be copied in one of the big revues next year.



FOR a group of young people who are engaged in showing up the foibles of the commercial theatre, however, the cast of "Bad Habits" seemed surprisingly prone to pronounce it "ongenue."

Robert Benchley.



The Fatter One: they'd have to give me all the money in the world before they could get me to appear in a picture that way.

The Other: yeh—me, too.

Modesty Forbade

THE VISITOR: Who's the most enterprising man in this village?

THE NATIVE: Now lookit here, stranger, you'd better ask that there question of somebody else in these parts—I never was much of a feller for talkin' about myself.

Hot Dog!

MUSIC CRITIC (to sweet young thing): How did you like the barcarolle at the musicale last night?

Sweet Young Thing: I didn't stay for the refreshments, Mr. Cleff.

FRANCE wants to sell the "Big Bertha." Well, there's Herrin, Ill.



THE SILENT DRAMA

Mrs. Pepis Diary

Awakened too betimes by April Sam a-bawling in his bathroom that there was a fish in his tub, and from his goings-on one might have thought that it was the size of Jonah's whale and about to devour him, so I did leap out of bed to his rescue, but Lord, the creature that had slunk through the spigot was so small that I was obliged to get my lorgnon before I could perceive it....To lunchcon at an inn with Lydia Loomis, and it would have been dull business sipping milk and vichy whilst she ate choice food of the season had she not been so full of gossip, which I do adore. She did relate, for one thing, how poor Jim Mitchell had recently been an usher at a wedding, and getting the hallucination when he was half-way down the aisle that his head was rolling off, had reached up and held it on with his two hands throughout the ceremony. We agreed, too, that persons who have no better sense than to put any social responsibility soever on Jim deserve exactly such an exhibition, for of late he does not enter my drawing-room without inspiring in me a desire to move back the lamps and flowers and roll up the rugs, after the manner of the bourgeois. Lyd told me also that Dot Wills is conserving her funds against her coming marriage, and that one instance of her economy is to refrain from unscrewing electric light bulbs during the night watches and hurling them at vocal alley cats.... A great company at tea time in honor of Sam's birthday, and when he beheld the fine cake which Katie had baked for him of her own accord, he quoth, Shakespeare and Chauncey Depew are out of luck! He did blow all its forty candles out with one breath, too, an achievement which, in view of the cocktayles I had observed him consuming, did not astonish me as much as it did him. Memorandum: This night I did win a great battle with myself by conquering the temptation to steal out to the icebox and eat of the Bel Paese cheese which Marge Boothby gave Sam for a present, for I do like it better than any cheese in the world, and it is well nigh impossible to get it outside of Italy.

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"Beverly of Graustark"

HE good old Law of Adjustment is still working, even in Hollywood. For whenever Syd Chaplin puts on skirts, Marion Davies retaliates by putting on trousers, and thus the balance is maintained.

Miss Davies should wear trousers oftener; they affect her favorablyimproving not only her appearance, but her whole attitude. When dressed elaborately in Poiret, Paquin or Tappe models, Miss Davies is (to me) insufferable. When dressed as a boyand this is usually the severest test that any actress can face-she assumes an appreciable degree of attractiveness; more than that, she displays the talents of an adroit comedienne.

Indeed, in "Beverly of Graustark," when Marion Davies changes from masculine to feminine attire, one looks upon her as a female impersonator who is not particularly convincingwhich constitutes a remarkable tribute to her ability to wear pants.

WHILE Miss Davies is appearing as a fresh young prince, "Beverly of Graustark" is a sprightly and amusing picture. When she goes back into neutral, it becomes dreary, obvious and appallingly dull.

It serves to demonstrate the enormous superiority of "The Merry

The Volga Boatman. C. B. De

A Social Celebrity. Adolphe Men-

jou as a barber who poses as a count; directed (only passably) by Mal St.

That's My Baby. A helter-skelter comedy, with Douglas MacLean less good than usual.

as a missionary on the lower East Side,

The Devil's Circus. Trite circus stuff, beautifully photographed.
For Heaven's Sake. Harold Lloyd

Mille's latest—a pictorially effective but rather involved drama of the Rus-

sian revolution.

and very funny.

Widow" over all other productions of this type; for where Erich von Stroheim furnished both fantastic romance and muscular drama in large quantities, Sidney Franklin has failed to furnish more than a modicum of either.

Perhaps it isn't all Mr. Franklin's fault. Perhaps no director can do much with a Marion Davies picture, in view of the excessive emphasis which must be placed on the star.

"Mlle. Modiste"

THE Beautiful, Sorely Tempted but Pure Mannequin now leads the Rising Young District Attorney and the Royal Northwest Mounted Policeman by a small margin, and the way things are going, she should increase her plurality substantially within the next few weeks.

The latest Beautiful, Sorely Tempted but Pure Mannequin is that princess o' dreams, Corinne Griffith, who plays what corresponds to Fritzi Scheff's old rôle in the movie version of "Mlle. Modiste." Miss Griffith is lovely to look upon, she wears clothes to perfection, and she can act pretty well; what more could one ask? Well, I for one could ask for an intelligent and moderately original story, but I've been pleading for that for years now and nobody seems to pay any attention.
"Mlle. Modiste" is played as broad

comedy, interrupted by a vast number of wise-cracking subtitles, some of which are funny and all of which are laborious. Willard Louis is very good as one of those misunderstood American millionaires in Paris; Norman Kerry, the hero, is just plain awful.

There is one scene in which Miss Griffith disrobes for money, but she explains that she is doing it for the orphans of France.

Another Bulletin

THE attention of those who are interested in the Great American Movie is called to the following document, which emanates from John Held,

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R. E. Sherwood.

Recent Developments

The Flaming Frontier. Just an-

other epic. Kiki. Norma Talmadge tries too

The Blind Goddess. Expert indoor melodrama.

The Untamed Lady. Gloria Swanson as a two-fisted he-girl who lives and learns

The New Klondike. The mild but pleasant story of a ball-player in Flora, with Thomas Meighan as such.

The Torrent. Greta Garbo in an

orgy of red-hot Spanish love.

Fascinating Youth. Somewhere in

La Bohême. Lillian Gish and John Gilbert do not hit it off very well to-Another triumphant manne-Irene.

This time it is Colleen Moore. Mare Nostrum. A submarine war picture from Rex Ingram.

The Bat. Mystery melodrama which isn't so very mysterious.

Ben-Hur. A twenty-five-ring cir-cus, featuring the dawn of Christianity. The Black Pirate, Moana, The Merry Widow, Lady Windermere's Fan, Stella Dallas and The Big Parade. These are all on the "excep

tional" list.

the vicinity of zero.



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WELL BROUGHT UP

"WON'T YOU TAKE MY SEAT, LADY?"

-Excelsior (Paris).

Disconcerting

Arroros of Douglas Fairbanks and Mary Pickford's trip abroad, one may wonder if the former will meet King Alfonso this year. When he was presented to the King of Spain last year, he wisely had his little speech all ready. It was gracefully international, quite Hands-Across-the-Seaish.

The august moment arrived-

"How do you do, Mr. Fairbanks?" said King Alfonso, "How's Fatty Arbuckle?" —New Yorker.

A Case for the Undertaker

Second (to pugilist, between rounds):
If y' do feel bad, Bill, don' forget the other bloke feels worse.

Pug: If 'e feels any worse 'n me 'e's parssed away.—Bulletin (Sydney).

Whatzis?

From the Newark Evening News-"Captain Alexander Drunk of the Salvation Army barracks will speak at the monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U."

-New York Sun.

"Is your Aunt Het up?"

"No-she never gets excited."

-Louisville Satyr.

Mental Cruelty

A PICTURE postcard on which was written the whole of "Hamlet" in Welsh was sent through the post recently. The postmistress at each end of its journey is said to be still a little delirious.

-Passing Shore (London).

The Horseless Age Arrives at Last

From the Yates Center (Kan.) Advocate—"Lawrence Yoho and Pete Steiner traded cars Monday."

-Detroit Free Press.

A JOY-RIDING girl chided her "date" hecause he had a used car. "Well, aren't you a used girl?" he countered.

-Tampa Tribune.

MOTHER (to precocious infant): Johnny, go wash your face and neck. "Neck who, Ma?"—Illinois Siren.



BEATING THE RAILROAD RATES

"WHERE IS MAMA?"

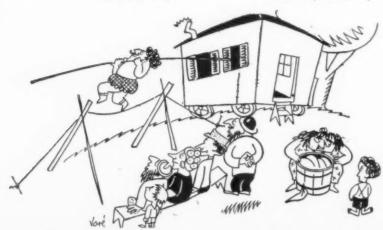
"IN THE VALISE. AND YOU—EVERY NOW AND THEN—DON'T YOU FORGET TO BARK."

—Le Journal (Paris).

Inflamed Youth Again

THE young of to-day are merely a little Boston tea party acting on old-time prejudices and disguised as savages.

-McNaught's Monthly.



"GO TELL YOUR FATHER TO SPEED UP HIS ACT, I NEED THE WIRE TO HANG SOME CLOTHES ON."

-Le Rire (Paris).



REMEMBER, PEPITO, FROM NOW ON, A NEW LIFE—NO MORE FOOLISHNESS."

"FOOLISHNESS! IS THERE ANYTHING WORSE THAN WHAT I HAVE JUST DONE?"

—Excelsior (Mexico City).

Where Was Barnum?

Hugh Wiley narrates a yarn of General Tom Thumb and his lady friend. She sent her card up to the midget's room one day, and was told to go up. The room door opened and a huge man in a flowered silk dressing-gown confronted her.

"Come right in, madam," he boomed.
"But you are not General Tom
Thumb!" she gasped.

"Certainly I am," said the giant.
"This is my day off and I'm resting."

—Corey, in Louisville Courier-Journal.

Failure

"I was getting ready to plant my garden," related a town farmer. "I had worked nearly all winter, trying to convince my wife and daughter that gardening was good for the complexion, and I had just about got 'em to believing it when an advertisement appeared in the Weekly Plaindealer, announcing the opening of a beauty shop in our village, and the stuff was off and all my work wasted."—Kansas City Star.

As Thousands Cheer

"AFTER all," asked somebody the other night, "what is a light wine?" "That," said a gentleman who had been sampling wines that were far from imponderable, "is what Harvard fights for till the last one is passed."—New York World.

In a Florida Auto Camp

THE FATHER: Don't cry, baby; popper'll sell the spare tire, and we'll look for a new boom somewhere else.

-New Masses.

Wife: I opened up an account with another department store to-day, dear.

Hun: Great Scott! Have they started another one?—Boston Transcript.

For genuine obscurity, suppose there were a vice-presidency of Italy.

-Detroit News.

Entitled to It

THE elderly and somewhat shrewish daughter of a General finally received a proposal of marriage from a subaltern. This she announced to her father.

"Dad, Filbert has proposed to me. He's only a Second Lieutenant. Now you must do something for him."

"I can't promote him over the heads of others," responded Dad soothingly, "but I might have him cited for gallantry."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

Alibi

THE absent-minded professor was off form this morning. He did not try to eat his newspaper and read his toast, did not rush out of the house with misplaced garments, did not go along in the rain holding a cane over his head, did not give the trolley conductor an aspirin tablet.... You see, he had forgotten to get up .- Princeton Tiger.

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Wherein a dreamer becomes a doer. -F. P. A., in New York World.



OFF TO WORK

"YOUR 'USBAND WILL BE TH' LAUGHIN' STOCK OF THE STREET."

"WELL, 'E'S GOIN' TO TH' FOREMAN'S FAREWELL DINNER TO-NIGHT AN' 'E WON'T 'AVE TIME TO COME 'OME AN' CHANGE."

-Smith's Weekly (Sydney).

What's the Score?

A MEETING of Yale students under the auspices of the Yale Liberal Club failed to produce positive sentiment for the formation at Yale of a chapter of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism, Inc., better known as the "Damned Souls" Order....The bright note of the entire meeting was struck when one student suddenly said:

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Chastening

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-Milwankee Journal.

"ALWAYS" is the favorite word in love's lexicon.-Detroit Free Press.

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The Younger Married Set

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uncertain about his attack. He underlined passion with every move. He hissed...he panted....When he reached across the helpless Ruby and switched off the electric light beside the chaiselongue, Mrs. Pettner fluttered maternally and a voice in the back of the house shouted "Police!"

But hist! Who comes here? "The Husband" (Herbert Hoofner) enters.

"Good heavens, Mary, he's got that revolver!" gasped Miss Flamm, who had been at the famous tea-party. A large proportion of the audience stopped their ears. Striding across the room, Bert stood over the prostrate couple. The Woman's face was hidden. He did not really see her.

"You!" he shouted, pointing the revolver and pulling the trigger. It wouldn't go off!...you know how those things are. With rare presence of mind Bert raised his head.

"BANG!" he yelled, and walked to the door. The Woman screamed. So did the audience. Reaching the door, Bert opened it and read the apartment number, then, clapping his hand to his forchead, he delivered the big line, "My God! I'm in the wrong flat!"

It was all a mistake, see? The Woman wasn't his wife at all and he had gone and shot some one's perfectly good sweetie. A lot of our folks think the whole play was a mistake and there has been quite a good deal of talk. The usual number of actors and actresses say that they will never appear again, but of course they will.

Anyway, all hard feelings are being dissipated by the preparations for "Tennis Week," one of our great athletic events, which is about to break. I will have something to say about that later on.

Recognition

MOVIE STAR (to secretary): If you hear of a young English writer by the name of John Keats coming to Hollywood—and, of course, he will come—send him those two Heidelberg jugs, and tell him to put an ode on each one as good as the Greek Urn ode he's getting such a hand over; and have him send the bill in triplicate.

A MACHINE has been invented which will cut up an inch cube of cheese into 12,000 slices. Soda fountain "luncheonette" patrons may cease worrying about a possible sandwich shortage.

STATISTICIANS must be glad the pleasant Sunday afternoons have come again, with all the automobiles being placed end to end.



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Epitaph for an Average Man

EVERY variet who is dead Cannot be remembered. I have spared posterity The trouble of remembering me. R. L. G.

The Right Man

DEPARTMENT STORE MANA-GER: I dislike to discharge Smith but he lies down on every job I give him.

PROPRIETOR: Let him demonstrate those new mattresses.

Progress

AYR . . TROON . . PRESTWICK . . TURNBERRY . . GLENEAGLES . . NORTH BERWICK . . CARNOUSTIE

A T last movie-goers are becoming educated. The old thriller in which the hero was a virile Westerner, in which buffaloes, Indians, covered wagons and calico dresses ran riot, in which he-men took down ten whisky-straights, and at which the audience (harassed by a jangly piano) cheered for virtue and hissed the villain, is passé.

It is now an historical film of Educational Value at \$3.80 a reserved seat.

CHORUS girls are intriguing mostly to sophomores—of 18 and 80.

Vox Populi

RECENT statistics indicate that 67,-700,000 telephone calls are made in the United States daily.

These calls are distributed among the population as follows:

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Bootleggers to	
consumers	31,500,000
Consumers to	
bootleggers	35,200,000
Mr. Wheeler and associ-	
ates to newspapers (re	
successful progress of	
Prohibition)	999,999
Calvin Coolidge to Cen-	
tral (requesting that	
telephone be discon-	
nected)	1
Jack Dempsey to mana-	
ger of Harry Wills	0
TOTAL	67,700,000

Tupper Greenwald.

The Sidewalk Talkers

"Y' KNOW that actress, th' one who's playin' in the 'The Lost Chord'? I hear she's a dope fiend. Takes drugs." "Y' don't say. Well, they all do. All those actresses."

"The actors too, for that matter. Not only the actresses."

"Sure, all o' them."

"B'lee me, they don't lead any too respectable a life on the stage. Of course I don't mean right on the stage. I mean th' people who play there."

"Well, that's th' way they get."
"Mind, I don't say every one o' them.
Some o' them are just as good as any

one else. But most o' them..."

"You bet. An' still, there's one actress—I don't remember her name just now, but it's one o' those stars—they say she never takes a part where somebody has to kiss her."

"Guilty conscience, if y' ask me."
"Oh, odda know. They can't all be rotten. Of course, whenever y' look at them they're gettin' divorces."

"Temperamental."

"Publicity stuff, I say."

"I s'pose it is. Y' know what: I'd never let any child o' mine go on th' stage. Nowadays th' parents let their kids do what they want, but not me. No, ma'am. If Shirley or Ethel ever wants to become an actress, I'll tell 'em: 'Nothin' doin'. You can be anything decent, but not an actress.' Think I want my children to be no good?"

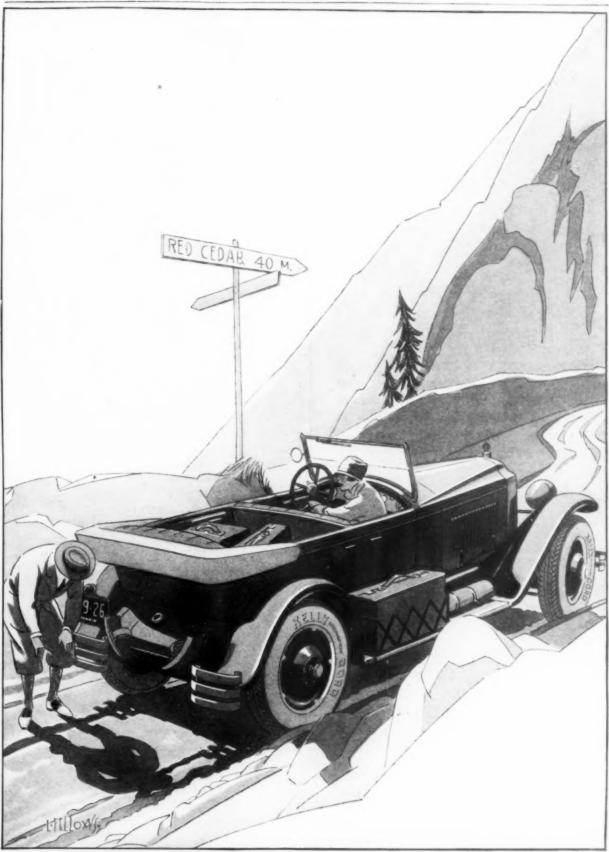
"But the actresses aren't all rotten."
"Well, most of 'em are, and you know it."

Simonetta.

Such Popularity -

SMALL-TOWN SUB-DEB: Hubert certainly can Charleston.

BLASÉ GIRL FRIEND; Yeah. I always said college would be the maling of that boy.



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Travel Note

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The Gideon Bible basks. While on it rest the corkscrews and The empty whisky flasks,

Arthur L. Lippmann.

Making Junior Spinach-Conscious

HORACE K. STUDIUS, of the Studius Advertising Service Advertising Service (Motto: Not another account until every present client is spending over a million a year), stepped firmly into his front hall and flopped his brief-case on the newel post. There was nothing in the brief-case but a copy of the evening paper, but it looked well to have it with him. He might meet one of the clients, and the 4:13 is a little early for an advertising executive who is giving his life to the interests of the businesses he represents.

Mrs. Studius looked up from a copy of the Quality Monthly, which the publishers sent her husband every month.

"Hello!" said Mr. Studius cheerfully. "How's every little thing?"

"Not so doggone good," said Mrs. Studius, giving the wrong answer again. "Junior won't eat his spinach."

"Were you careful to give the spinach proper attention value on the plate?"

"Oh, yes. It was the only color on the dish. The other vegetables were mashed potatoes and white beans. There was plenty of white space around it, too."

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"And that didn't work? What did he do?"

"He stuck his fork in it and threw the spinach at me."

"Um. This was at luncheon, you say? He must have his spinach. Where is he now?"

"In the nursery, eating his supper, without spinach.'

Studius squared his shoulders.

"Tell Swastica to hand me a dish of spinach and I'll see that he eats it. No. Don't come in with me. Let me work this out with Junior alone.'

And so Mr. Studius entered the nursery and closed the door behind

"Why," queried Mr. Studius, "didn't you eat your spinach this noon?"

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Junior felt of the back bevel of his pink play-pants. "Well," he answered grudgingly, "Mother handed me a pretty terrible line with it."

"That was my line she handed you. Now get this straight. You can eat this spinach now, or you can take a thorough walloping, also now. I haven't had any exercise all day and I'd just as soon get some. It looks good enough to eat, doesn't it?"

"No. But give me that fork."

Junior consumed the spinach, thoughtfully

Mr. Studius picked up the empty plate and rejoined his wife in triumph.

"I had to vary the appeal a little," he confessed. "A little scare copy this time. Five out of six strike out. Eat spinach or take the consequences. Really, my dear, you ought to read some of my books on psychology."

C. L. Funnell.

SCENARIO WRITER: Here's a film version of Aristophanes' "The Frogs."

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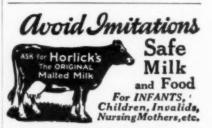
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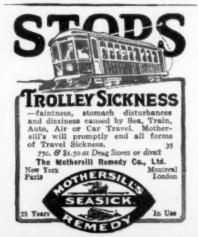


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"Is not at the moment quite fitted"

(That's a wow—"at the moment" that's good!)

"We thank you for having submitted"
(And the stamps were enclosed,
too—you should!)

"We shall always be glad to consider"
(That's a line I've heard somewhere before)

"Any manuscripts" (you're such a kidder)

"You may care to present" (there's a roar!)

"Yours sincerely-" (well, that was a jawful,

And, now that you've finished your song,

Why didn't you just say: "It's AWFUL!"?

I knew that it was, all along.)

Tip Bliss.

Pugilism's Progress

1880

"BRING him on; I'll fight th' big ham any time, anywhere, fer nothin'. Right now, if he wants it."

1890

"Post yer forfeit an' name the date."

1900

"We got a five-weeks' contract with th' Bouncin' Babies Burlesque, to do sparrin' exhibitions, an' as soon as that's over, th' champ's ready to meet any one in th' world fer th' best purse offered an' a suitable side-bet, winner take all."

1910

"Th' champ's got two months to go in 'Honest Fists an' Heavy Hearts,' but we're ready to talk business any time a promoter's willin' to offer a purse of \$20,000, sixty per cent. to th' winner."

1920

"Th' champ'll fight when he gets good an' ready, an' then they'll have to lay one hundred grand on th' line before we'll talk. Anyways, we got a movie to finish fer seventy-five grand, paid in advance, and then they's that fourteen weeks in vodville at ten grand a week. So we won't be ready fer a year yet."

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Mrs. Pep's Diary

(Continued from page 24)

My husband berating me April roundly this morning for not 25th having written of late to Grace Smith, I did answer, If you are so concerned, why do you not write her yourself? So to my astonishment he sat him down and penned her a letter, a thing I have not seen him do in years, and I did mock his spelling and punctuation, telling him the missive looked as if it had been wrote by a mountaineer, but I could ruffle his mood no whit, his only response being an inquiry as to why on earth the gentry should concern itself with epistolary precision, which is the province of clerks, whereupon we did agree that George Ade's "'Whom are you?' said Cyril, for he had been to night school" is one of the sharpest lines of satire in the language.... In the afternoon came Ranny Wilkins and Beth to see us, and, it being their twelfth anniversary, we did laugh to recall how Ranny's nurse had caused to be engraved on the great silver spoon which she gave him for a wedding present, "Mr. Randolph, His Property," and upon being interrogated as to such specification had answered, Well, you cain't never tell how some of these marriages is goin' to turn out, an' if they ever gits to a point where they splits up the possessions, I wants Mr. Randolph to have what's hisn. Then we all to the Brevoort for dinner, which is by no means a bad way to top off the Sabb ch.

Baird Leonard.

Seven Deadly Cinemas

THE HEARTRENDER, in which the virtuous, long-haired Rosamond, at great personal sacrifice, allowed her golden hair to be cut so that she might pay off the mortgage.

2. The film that always looked as if it was raining-inside or outside.

3. THE WESTERN (pronounced Westren) picture, in which the twofisted, sombreroed hero wrote a message with his own red blood on part of his own shirt-tail and sent it via his horse, Beauty (pronounced Beauteh).

4. The film that on occasion showed its lower half on the upper half of the screen and its upper half on the lower half of the screen-a signal for stamping of feet, whistling, and catcalls.

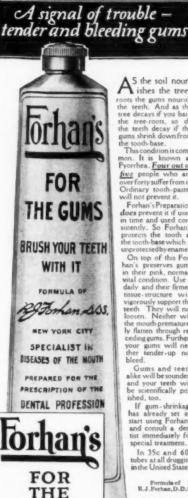
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6. THE COMEDY that was pie for the actors.

7. The white, blank break at the end of each reel and "One Minute Please," followed by "Will the Ladies Please Remove Their Hats?"

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